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C. E. POOLEY NOMINATED FOR ESQUIMALT RIDING

Delegates Enthusiastically Express Confidence in the Government

H. D. HELMCKEN DELIVERS ADDRESS

Urge All Conservatives to Put Their Shoulders to the Wheel and Work for Candidate

C. E. Pooley, K. C., was unanimously selected as the standard-bearer of the Liberal-Conservative association of the Esquimalt constituency at a largely attended and enthusiastic convention held last evening at the Lampson street schoolhouse. After the choice had been made and the chairman, A. G. Potts, had announced the results, brief butousing addresses were delivered by Mr. Pooley and H. D. Helmcken, K. C. These was followed by a few words of an optimistic character from others present, after which votes of thanks were tendered the presiding officer for his services and a vote of confidence in the administration of Premier McBride was carried with cheers.

Mr. Pooley after thanking the convention for the confidence reposed in him and acknowledging the honor done him by the Liberal-Conservative association of the district, said it was the 24th time he had been asked to become the representative of the Conservatives of the Esquimalt electoral section; and he wanted it understood that he appreciated the friendly sentiments so strikingly demonstrated.

It was not his intention to enter into a discussion of the political issues. There would be time enough for that later. Owing to the shortness of the period before the general election it would not be possible for him to cover as much territory as he would like to do. But he would wage just as vigorous a campaign as circumstances would permit. And he hoped that his adherents would rally to his side and do everything in their power to aid in his election to the legislature. He pointed out that it was not only in his interests that he spoke, but in those of the Liberal-Conservative party of British Columbia—the government of the present premier (Applause).

In reference to his record during the years he had served as the representative of the voters of the district, he did not think it necessary to say much. The majority of those present, he was sure, knew as much about it as he could tell them. He simply wished to could that he had always done everything possible in the interests of the district. Doubtless he had sometimes made mistakes. But he added, where could be found a man in public service who had not occasionally erred in judgment? (Applause). There was one thing of which he could speak with the conviction that he could not be contradicted—and that was that he had never been guilty of anything of which he need be ashamed. (Applause.)

Throughout his twenty-four years as the sitting member of the Esquimalt district he had used his best efforts for those he represented and was willing, if returned at the forthcoming election, to continue to give his services for the benefit of the constituency. (Applause.)

Concluding, Hon. Mr. Pooley thanked those present for their kindness, hoped they would all do everything in their power to assist him in the pending contest now that he had received their nomination, and assured them that he would co-operate with them in the interests of the party generally throughout the campaign. (Enthusiastic applause.)

H. D. Helmcken, K. C.

Mr. Helmcken delivered an address of an exceptionally optimistic character. He spoke of his long acquaintance with Hon. Mr. Pooley and his many staunch qualities. It was his hope that all would put their shoulders to the wheel now that their standard-bearer had been chosen and help to return him at the forthcoming election. If everybody did a little he was sure that the nominee would carry the riding by an overwhelming majority. (Applause.)

But, he pointed out, although it was perfectly correct to display confidence and coolness in the midst of the fight it was not right to allow such a feeling to interfere with the aggressiveness of the tactics adopted. His friend, Hon. Mr. Pooley, would have to be backed up by equally energetic lieutenants to make sure of his return. There was nothing so uncertain as an election, Mr. Helmcken said, and therefore he expressed the wish that all should unite in the common effort to return the choice of the convention by a large plurality.

The McInnes Incident

Turning to matters outside the scope of the Esquimalt constituency, Mr. Helmcken referred to the present situation.

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STORIES OF WEALTH IN NEVADA

Millionaires Are Made on Short
Notice in Goldfields and
Tonopah Camps

"Little more than two years ago without funds, today a millionaire. This tells briefly the wonderful luck of Col. G. H. Hayes, who will be remembered in Victoria because of his dealings in connection with the Abenaki mines," said J. A. Alkman, who arrived here from the Tonopah and Goldfields mining districts in Nevada to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Mr. Helmcken, in conclusion, wished all present a Happy New Year and he added "to assure a 'Happy New Year' you must vote for good government." (Laughter and cheers.)

Arthur Blockley, a resident of San Juan had known Hon. Mr. Pooley for many years. He had worked for him in previous elections and would do so again. He hoped that all would do the same and so insure his return. (Applause.)

Mr. Helmcken moved a vote of thanks to the chairman and an expression of confidence in the administration of Premier McBride. Both resolutions were carried unanimously and amid enthusiasm. The gathering dispersed after singing "God Save the King."

Premier Opens Campaign
Last evening Premier McBride left for his constituency having arranged to address meeting today at Chilliwack at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and at Maple Ridge at 8 in the evening. On Saturday night he will speak at Port Moody. Having made this short tour the premier will return to Victoria on Sunday evening.

LABORITES NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR CITY

Dr. Ernest Hall and A. Johnson
Are Out for Legislative
Seats

Two candidates, Dr. Ernest Hall and A. Johnson, were selected to represent the Victoria branch of the Canadian Labor party, in the contest for the honours of the local constituency in the forthcoming provincial general elections, at meeting of that organization held last evening at Labor hall. The gathering was well-attended and enthusiastic throughout.

Committees were struck, and one was entrusted with the preparation of a campaign newspaper. The gentlemen mentioned were then selected as the standard-bearers of the new party. In this connection attention was called to the action of certain parties in nominating so-called Independent Labor men in Nanaimo and Ladysmith. The methods were strongly condemned, the following resolution being put and carried unanimously:

"That this branch of the Canadian Labor party ask the provincial executive to draw the attention of the electorate to the fact that the Independent Labor party of Nanaimo and Ladysmith is not in any way connected with this organization."

The candidates then were called upon for addresses, and, after outlining their views, the meeting adjourned.

McINNES CLOSES UP HIS YUKON BUSINESS

Returns to Ottawa and Prepares
to Proceed to British
Columbia

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Governor McInnes of the Yukon returned this afternoon from New York. He proceeded to close up his Yukon business with the departments, and will in all probability hand in his resignation on Saturday to go to British Columbia to be first lieutenant of J. A. Macdonald, the Liberal leader. Until tonight he does not desire to make any public announcement beyond that he has received an invitation from Mr. Macdonald to join his forces and contest a constituency.

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FAMILY ASPHYXIATED.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 27.—James Harris, his wife, his son aged 13, and a little baby were victims of natural gas fumes used in the house for fuel purposes. All were dead when discovered.

EARLY SETTLER KILLED.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 27.—James Camb aged 73 years, one of the early settlers, was accidentally shot and killed by his grandson, who was shooting at a target on the homestead near Mountain Grove.

there was no flux to be had, but the finds of silver, lead and copper in the Greenwater district have resulted in fluxes being available and it is probable, although fuel is scarce, that smelters or large mills will be built, and then the low-grade ores will be worked with big profits. The mines are mostly quartz propositions, but there are some placer deposits.

LAY STEEL RAPIDLY.

Workmen on C. P. R. Sudbury Line
Rush Towards Parry Sound

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 27.—Track-laying gangs on the C. P. R. Sudbury line gained their point when they laid steel into Bala by Christmas morning. They laid over a mile of track in just about four hours. Within a few days they will be in Parry Sound, having only 14 miles of track to lay and averaging a mile and a half a day.

HYMAN IMPROVES.

Suffers from Insomnia and Nervous
Trouble of Acute Character.

London, Ont., Dec. 27.—The latest reports from Hon. C. S. Hyman, who is still in the South, say that he is improving in health. He has been assured that there is no organic complaint. He has been suffering from insomnia and nervous troubles of an acute character, and it is hoped that rest and change of scene will prove effective in restoring him to his full strength.

JAPANESE DEPORTED.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 27.—Immigration officers have arrested five Japanese at Fort Hancock out of a large number smuggled over on Christmas night and all were deported to Mexico today. Some of them had previously been rejected by immigration officers here, as all came under the pauper classification.

Nine Japanese applied for admission at the immigration bureau today, and all were rejected under the contract labor clause. The officers being satisfied that the Japanese are under contract to work at Barstow.

HEART DISEASE IN FAMILY.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 27.—Alexander Nicholson died here on Saturday of heart disease, and his brother Henry of Martindale succumbed today to the same disease.

SILVER BY CARLOAD.

Port Arthur, Ont., Dec. 27.—A carload of silver, valued at \$15,000, was shipped from the Hanson Consolidated mine to Omaha today. A large planing mill will also be established in connection with the plant.

The company's timber lands are on the West Coast, where the interests of the Monarch Timber company in the San Juan district were acquired. Large logging camps will be organized and timber boomed, not only for the mill at San Juan, but also for the Esquimalt plant. Rafts will be towed by the company's tugs from San Juan to Esquimalt. The mill at San Juan will commence cutting, it is expected, about June.

Yesterday C. F. Betterton, manager of the B. F. Graham Lumber company, examined the site for the Esquimalt mill and had with him agents of machinery manufacturers. The plans or the mill have been drawn up and specifications prepared for the equipment needed. Tenders are now being received for the supply of the plant necessary for the cutting of from 100,000 to 125,000 feet per day. A large planing mill will also be established in connection with the plant.

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Cleans Up Two Millions

C. D. Taylor, who was in Victoria two weeks ago, left Victoria some time ago, after prospecting in this vicinity, and landed in Tonopah, where he had a hoisting engine and plant shipped by express from the East at an immense cost; but it meant the earning of considerably more money for him. The shipments of the mine have netted fabulous sums and each of the four men interested in the lease is reputed to be a millionaire. This I know, and know positively—the Mohawk Mining Company has over \$2,000,000 deposited as a bank account at Goldfields, and an idea may be formed of the value of the mine when it is considered that the leaseholders get only 25 per cent.

Other British Columbians who have become very wealthy in the Nevada goldfields include John McKane, who hails from Rossland. He was a candidate for the provincial legislature to represent Rossland some years ago, being defeated. Well, McKane is a millionaire today. He got his start at Tonopah in the Tonopah Extension Mining Company five or six years ago, and then got a lease on the Jumbo gold claim in Goldfields.

Dr. Bowes, also from Rossland, who has now retired, a wealthy man, and taken up residence at Seattle, was interested with him in that lease, and he must have several hundred thousand dollars to the good.

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New York, Dec. 27.—With the arraignment and dismissal in the appeal court today of Mrs. Alexander Trautman, the wife of a prominent physician on a charge of larceny came the final act of what is believed to be one of the most deplorable cases of mistaken identity in the police history of this city.

Mrs. Trautman was arrested on Fifth avenue on Christmas eve on complaint of Peter Hogan, a salesman, who accused her of having robbed him of \$13, a few evenings before. Hogan said the woman had accosted him on the street, had invited him into a dark hallway and that when he left he learned that the money, which had been in his pocket, was missing. Mrs. Trautman protested her innocence but the policeman, upon whom Hogan had called to arrest her, took her to the station house. The arrest of the fashionably dressed woman on the crowded street attracted a great crowd which followed the officer and his prisoner.

At the station house Mrs. Trautman again tearfully protested that she was a victim of a terrible mistake and gave the sergeant in charge the name of her husband and several friends who she said would substantiate her story. Some of these could be reached immediately by telephone, however, and Mrs. Trautman was taken to a cell, where she was forced to spend several hours in the company of half a dozen other women who had been arrested on various charges. At that time friends of Mrs. Trautman had been notified of her predicament and had hurried to the station house to procure her release. They protested against the arrest as an outrage, but were informed that it would be necessary for them to furnish bail before she could be given her liberty. Bail to the amount of \$1,000 was furnished and Mrs. Trautman was taken to her home.

When she appeared in the police court Christmas morning Hogan, the accuser, was there to press the charge. He said he was certain that he could not have been mistaken. He declared he had followed Mrs. Trautman for several blocks observing her closely and was satisfied before he caused her arrest that she was the woman who invited him into the dark hallway.

On the strength of this testimony, the magistrate was obliged to hold the prisoner for further examination. The case has attracted very wide attention not only on account of the high standing of the Trautman in this city and the south, whence Mrs. Trautman came, but because of a realization of the danger to which any innocent woman may be subjected. It has been shown that under the present conditions in this city, no woman, of whatever standing may be safe from positive humiliation similar to which Mrs. Trautman has been exposed.

BETTER AT TORONTO.

Toronto, Dec. 27.—Collections at the port of Toronto for the calendar year just ending will amount to over \$10,000,000. This will be \$500,000 over last year and \$1,000,000 over 1904.

BOY KILLS STEPFATHER.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 26.—With money he had saved to give his mother a Christmas gift, Henry Siebold, 16 years old, bought a revolver with which he shot and fatally wounded his step-father, Henry Brinker, 44 years old, yesterday. According to the boy, his step-father had threatened to kill his mother, and he bought the revolver to protect her. Yesterday, Brinker attacked his wife with a hatchet, and the boy pulled the revolver from his pocket and fired five shots. Three of the bullets entered the man's chest just below the heart, and two entered his neck below the chin. The boy was arrested.

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Lansing, Mich., Dec. 27.—Elbert Conklin, a stonemason, was shot and killed last night at his home here by his brother Melvin. They had quarreled over property matters. Melvin Conklin came to Elbert's home Wednesday night and called him to the door, and wounded him with a charge from a shotgun. He then pursued him into his bedroom and fired another charge into his abdomen, killing him instantly. Mrs. Elbert Conklin ran from the house in terror and Melvin fired a shot at her slightly wounding the woman in the arm. Melvin is under arrest and appears to be insane or bordering on insanity.

NEGLECT IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Dec. 27.—Citizens by the hundreds are being summoned by the civic authorities for the sin of omission in connection with the by-laws which call for clean sidewalks and iceless eaves. One hundred were fined yesterday and another lot of one hundred summonses were issued today in the same connection.

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RENDERS JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF COAST

Traffic Officer of the Freight Rate
Commission Submits H's
Opinion

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 27.—Secretary of the board of trade received a lengthy type written opinion of J. Hardwell, traffic officer of the Board of Freight Rate Commissioners for Canada on the subject of Vancouver eastbound vs. Winnipeg westbound C. P. R. freight rates. The whole subject is dealt with exhaustively. The part most intelligible to the general public is contained in a summary by Mr. Hardwell which reads as follows:

"I would advise:

"(A)—That with regard to its freight rates the company's lines between Vancouver, B. C. and Calgary, Alberta, be placed in the relative position with respect to its line between Winnipeg and Calgary that exists immediately prior to the passage of the act 60—61, Victoria chapter 5, commonly known as the Crow's Nest Pass agreement,

"(B)—That the freight rates of the company's lines between Revelstoke, B. C. and MacLeod, Alberta, bear the same relation to the rates of its line between Winnipeg and Calgary, as do the rates of its line between Vancouver and Calgary, aforesaid having regard to the order of the board No. 1947 dated Nov. 9, 1906, in the matter of the application of the board of trade of Kaslo, B. C., that for this purpose the line between Yale, B. C. and MacLeod via Arrowhead and Kootenay Landing be considered as one section and the maximum mileage that via Calgary wherever the distance via Kootenay landing is less than the distance via Kootenay landing.

"(C)—That commodity rates be established from Vancouver to Calgary and MacLeod and intermediate points on the same articles as have been accorded commodity rates from Winnipeg under the aforesaid Crow's Nest Pass agreement and that such rates be calculated in accordance with clauses A and B.

"(D)—That to points between Vancouver and Calgary, MacLeod and in the Kootenays for commodities from the east, carried all rail under transcontinental rates, no rates be made lower than the sum of eastern rates to Vancouver and the rates from Vancouver to the destination.

"I think this should cover the ground. Clause "D" ought to prevent such rates as have been cited to Nelson, for instance, which are higher from Vancouver than from Winnipeg, for the Vancouver shipper will have the balance of the rate from Winnipeg to the coast in his favor.

"My sympathies are with the coast merchants who are restricted to the very limited markets of British Columbia, as geographically I look upon the Calgary and Edmonton road as the natural dividing line. The evidence submitted, however, is against it. Yet if my views are approved the coast shippers will have much more favorable rates than heretofore.

"I am afraid I have not made all the points have attempted so clear as should be the case, but it has been a very difficult subject to handle and has involved investigation and calculation to an unusual extent.

The Winnipeg board of trade has not yet had time, apparently, to pass upon this report. The complaint of the board of trade of the British Columbia coast cities was that the natural dividing line between the spheres of merchants of Winnipeg and the Pacific Coast cities should run through Calgary and MacLeod and that the preponderating mileage which this line would give the Winnipeg sphere should be "an ample setoff for any fancied or actual increase in the cost of operation of the mountain section over the Prairie section" and it would seem from the report that this contention, though personally approved by Mr. Hardwell, has not been justified by the findings adduced and a middle course has been suggested.

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SAYS HARBOR IS BEST ON COAST

City Is to Be Laid Out on the Most
Approved Lines—Will Be Scene
of Activity in the Spring

Eager eyes are turned towards Prince Rupert—Kaien Island—the Grand Trunk Pacific terminus—the "new country," writes Rosalind Watson Young, M. A., Assoc. M.I.M.E., in the B. C. Mining Exchange.

At Metlakatla, Simpson, Essington, Vancouver, Victoria, Seattle, there are crowds of people patiently awaiting the time when the official announcement will go forth, "The townsite is ready; you may come."

The indications are that when Prince Rupert city lots are placed on the market a mad rush, unparalleled in the history of the Pacific Coast, will ensue.

To ensure the welfare of the city, strict measures regarding residence, improvement of property, class of building to be erected, will have to be enforced. Otherwise the city will be a prey to speculation.

The exact townsite has yet to be

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are dotted with signals that have been used in hydrographic work. The soundings, taken by G. B. Dodge, of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, show that the entrance for width of 2,000 feet has an average depth of one hundred feet. He has swept the entrance channel 36 feet deep at extreme low tide and found very few rocks. The difference between high and low tide is 25 feet.

J. H. Bacon, G. T. P. harbor engineer, knows a good thing when he sees it. He it was who, after inspecting all the possible harbors, such as Port Simpson, Kitimat and Port Neville, decided in favor of Tuck's Inlet in October, 1903. A year later, when the directors of the G. T. P. company went over the same ground, they ratified his choice.

Kaien Island is wooded from the water's edge to the summit of the Old field range, which is, as it were, the backbone of the island, rising to its greatest height at 2,300 feet. Between the base of this range and Prince Rupert harbor there is a space approximately 7,000 feet wide. This is rolling ground and fit for townsite purposes. Level ground sufficient for railway yards has been located. Of the several streams Hays creek is the largest.

During the summer five survey parties have been engaged in the topographical work of Kaien Island. That number is to be doubled this winter in order to expedite work. The portion of the island contiguous to the present camp has been the first to be surveyed and platted. From the contour map the most suitable site for townsite will be selected. Thereupon a landscape engineer will be employed to lay out a model city. Then and not till then will it be possible to buy city lots. At the earliest it will be July, 1907, before property is placed on the market.

By the new year Prince Rupert will have electric light. The electricity will be conveyed three miles from Seal harbor, where it will be manufactured by the Tie & Timber company. As waste from the sawmill can be utilized to supply mechanical energy, it is estimated that Prince Rupert can at present be lighted more cheaply than by the Tie & Timber company than by the G. T. P. company generated its own light.

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MINING INDUSTRY

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J. B. Hobson Gives Government Credit for Bringing About Stable Conditions

J. B. Hobson, manager of the Consolidated Cariboo-Hydraulic Mining company, has returned to Victoria after spending the summer and fall months directly supervising operations in connection with that property.

Mr. Hobson, interviewed yesterday, declined to make any statement for publication respecting the work done upon that mine, or the probable output of the season. He explained that the Guggenheim, who recently took over the concern for which he is manager, require that all reports should first be made to the directors at their annual meeting. For the purpose of submitting this detailed information, he intended making a trip East in the course of a few days.

Although Mr. Hobson could say nothing in regard to the Consolidated Cariboo, he was not averse to discussing the mining situation generally. He said that a marked improvement was noticeable, and that the change had taken place within the past couple of years. This, undoubtedly, was due to a large extent, to the legislation introduced by the administration of Premier McBride. His steady hand upon the helm of the government had had the natural result. Before then capitalists looking upon British Columbia had remarked, "Oh, yes, that country has fine mineral resources, but things are so unsettled that investment is rather precarious." This sentiment had been altered. It was very different now. People with money were eager to come in and to assist in the exploitation of rich mines, which, hitherto, had been lying dormant.

Referring to mining in particular, he expressed the opinion that the rise in the value of all varieties of ore had resulted in a stimulation of the industry. But another, and a factor more potent in its influence than any other, was the fact that the Guggenheim, one of the largest and soundest mining institutions of the world, had entered the British Columbia field. That alone, he thought, was bound to encourage other investors and to result, generally, in giving those with capital confidence in the future of the Canadian West as a mining centre.

"As to British Columbia as a mining country generally," said Mr. Hobson, "why, I believe there's nothing like it. It's hardly likely that I would have spent twelve or more years here, working uphill all the time, if I hadn't the utmost faith in the future of the country." He went on to say that there was every altered, and that the prospects were that British Columbia, from now on, would enjoy an ever-increasing share of the prosperity which was being experienced throughout the whole of the Dominion of Canada.

When J. H. Pillsbury, assistant harbor engineer, arrived in May, 1906, with 17 men, there was not even a clearing on Kaien Island. By June, the first building was completed. In October Mr. Pillsbury had 77 men employed—12 Indians, 18 Japanese, 7 Chinese and the remainder whites. In addition, on the island, were J. Moore, his wife and his railroad survey men; G. B. Dodge's hydrographic party, and the Tie & Timber company's men.

If sceptical as to where the Grand Trunk Pacific company intend making their terminus, take a look at Tuck's Inlet, and you will be convinced that there, and nowhere else will the railroad terminate.

This inlet, now called Prince Rupert harbor, is 16 miles long and a mile wide; its average depth is 25 fathoms. Moreover, it is land-locked, and its entrance is both deep and straight.

All the shores surrounding the harbor

RUSSIAN NAVAL SCANDALS

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—A strong effort is now being made, with influential backing, to compel the authorities to make an inquiry into the naval scandals of the grand ducal regime, to which the defeat of the Russians at the battle of the Sea of Japan is largely attributed.

Often it runs up Canoe Passage, which varies from one mile to 40 feet in width, and has two sets of rapids. Somewhere across this passage a railway bridge will have to be built to connect the mainland with Kaien Island.

A final survey of the line of railway has been completed for 50 miles via Inverness, Skeena slough and Skeena river. This section of road, it seems safe

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Bates Post is to appear at the Victoria theatre on Jan. 3, spent yesterday in the city.

Edward Carter, park constable of this city, is seeking information regarding the whereabouts of his mother, Mrs. Ann Doolan or Crawford formerly of the Parish of Wicklow, Ireland.

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PROVINCIAL FINANCES.

A government that found the provincial finances disorganized, a large deficit to face and the province's credit sadly impaired in money circles, not because of any lack of confidence in the natural wealth of the country, but because of the uncertainty that had marked political conditions, is certainly entitled to a great deal of credit. This is the record of the present government.

Is there any man who can foresee what will happen, if the government is not sustained at the elections? One thing is certain. The next House will either be strongly Conservative, or it will be so badly divided that no one can tell with certainty what to expect. There is not the least reason to suppose that the Liberals can secure a working majority under any conceivable conditions that can arise between now and February 2nd. Any change is likely to disturb the existing excellent financial condition of the province. It cannot possibly improve it.

Why make a change?

MUNICIPAL POLITICS.

In the interest attaching to the provincial elections the importance of the local municipal campaign ought not to be lost sight of. We observe that Mr. Paterson intends addressing the voters on municipal questions. We are glad of this. Hitherto there has been very little active interest taken in these elections. Usually they have been largely personal matters, and there would be a speech or two just before voting day, and at a time when nearly every one had already decided how to vote. Mr. Paterson proposes to go upon the public platform early in the campaign, and in that way place his views before the citizens. Mr. Morley was uncertain yesterday as to whether or not he would take this course. He ought to do so. He ought to let the voters know whether or not he has anything to say on municipal questions, which will entitle him to their support. We are simply telling the bald truth when we say that he has kept the city in a turmoil ever since he sat in the civic chair. Of itself this would not be so objectionable, if the turmoil meant progress, but it has not. We are just where we were in municipal matters twelve months ago, and there is not the least reason to suppose that we will be any further advanced in twelve months from now, if Mr. Morley is again elected.

The questions involved in the municipal campaign are as important in their way as those involved in the provincial contest, and they should be discussed with the same freedom as characterizes the discussion of provincial matters. Therefore we repeat that we are glad that Mr. Paterson intends to meet the voters in at least one public meeting. Every one will be the better for enlightenment upon civic matters and for a full expression of views from such a practical business man as he is.

TIMBER LICENCES.

Our friend, the News of New Westminster, objects to the policy which makes the issuing of timber licenses a matter of routine. Our contemporary does not say exactly what it would like, but it asks us if we "forget that what would be a fair and just rental and royalty on one tract of timber would be a low rate on another, and an exorbitant rate upon still another?" From this it may be assumed that the News would have the government fix rentals and royalties at its own sweet will from time to time, as applications for timber licenses are made. Our contemporary can hardly have given the matter much consideration, or it would never have taken such an extraordinary position. Such an arrangement would, in the first place, call for a complete departure from the principle, happily common to all British countries, of having one law applicable to all people. Suppose for a moment that the McBride government had introduced a Bill into the House authorizing the Chief Commissioner to fix rentals and royalties at such figures as might seem to him just, would the News not have said, and have said very properly, that such a measure would put into the hands of the government powers that ought not to be entrusted to any one? We think it would have said so. We think it would have protested in its very forcible way against such a violation of the true principles of legislation. The News is very well acquainted with a gentleman, who once held a seat in the legislature. Will it oblige us by saying that if that gentleman ever advocated, or if he now advocates, the conferring of such powers upon any man?

In the second place, the expense attending such an arrangement would make it impracticable, even if it were justifiable. The News must know that the Land Department has no means of ascertaining what a particular piece of timber land is worth. It would have to send out its cruisers to examine it, which would keep scores of high-priced men in the field all the time. A good

timber cruiser expects to get \$10 a day and his expenses. Probably there are several hundred applications for licenses running at the same time all the year round, and therefore it would cost the government several thousand dollars per day to get the material upon which to form an estimate of how much royalty one tract should pay more or less than another. In the meantime there would be delay, dissatisfaction and confusion. The News ought to know that the people of the province would not submit for a day to any such nonsense, and yet it urges the absence of such an arrangement as one of the reasons why the McBride government should be defeated. The only just way in which to administer the public domain is to pass a general law, which all men can understand, and allow it to be administered as a matter of routine, except when some exceptional circumstances arise.

A SATISFACTORY SETTLEMENT.

Yesterday morning the Colonist asked its evening contemporary to inform the public as to Mr. Templeman's attitude in regard to the case of the province for better terms, as presented to the Interprovincial Conference by Mr. McBride. Last night it told us that Mr. McBride had "precipitately retreated from the conference when he foresaw the possibility of a satisfactory solution." As this is the only reply that has been vouchsafed, we assume that we do. Mr. Templeman's injustice when we say that he regarded the offer of \$100,000 a year for ten years as a "satisfactory solution" of claims based upon "conditions of a permanent nature," to quote the resolution unanimously passed by the legislature in 1905, a resolution drawn by the Leader of the Opposition. The official story of the Conference, which both the Victoria papers have printed, shows that Mr. McBride did not withdraw from the conference until after that body had refused to accept the proposal for the appointment of a commission, and until after the resolution offering the province the pittance above mentioned had been moved. The only thing in sight, when he withdrew, was \$100,000 a year for ten years. This we are to understand would have been, in the opinion of the Minister of Inland Revenue, the representative of British Columbia in the Dominion Cabinet, "a satisfactory solution." We now know where Mr. Templeman and the Liberal Party stand. This small sum, not equal to the gain in revenue from single departments of the local government, is in their opinion "a satisfactory solution" of claims arising out of conditions, which Sir Wilfrid Laurier in addressing the Conference said "created exceptional difficulties, which ought to be taken into consideration." This attitude, which we must assume Mr. Templeman takes, for it is the attitude of the newspaper which he owns and for whose utterances he is responsible, is all the more important to be generally understood, in view of the fact that Mr. McInnes is to be sent into the political arena. Surely the Ottawa government needed a capable man anywhere, they needed him in Dawson. Yet Mr. McInnes is taken from the field, where he is alleged to have been supremely useful, and thrust into provincial politics. The case of the party, which calls for a remedy, must be a desperate one, and the action of the Dominion government in placing Mr. McInnes in the field can only be understood as a distinct expression of want of confidence in Mr. Macdonald.

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The retailers of idle gossip are brought face to face on public platforms with all the facts. Yet this is the only thing upon which the Opposition lay any stress whatever. Upon this they harp daily. Because Mr. Macdonald was able to devise a form of expression which tickled the fancy of his political friends, they think the people of British Columbia will come to the conclusion that he is the one man in the province, who is fit to be entrusted with the administration of affairs. But they are not so certain about this that they are willing to rest their case upon Mr. Macdonald's facility of phrase-making. They must have other assistance, and for this reason Mr. McInnes is being brought into the field. We have been told that the latter gentleman has been a great success in the Yukon. We have been told that he hardly reached Skagway before the benevolent light of his pleasant countenance began to shed prosperity all over the North Land. For once the right man had been discovered for the right place. A somewhat critical public might have wondered how he had managed to conceal about his person all these years, the wonderful administrative ability, which he was alleged to have disclosed all of a sudden; but as things seemed to be getting along pretty well in the Yukon, no one on the outside took the trouble to look into the matter and discriminate between what the Commissioner was entitled to credit for, and what would have come about any way. But let us admit, for the sake of the argument, everything that his warmest friends can claim for Mr. McInnes as an administrator; this makes his re-entry into the political life of British Columbia only the more inexplicable. Surely the Ottawa government needed a capable man anywhere, they needed him in Dawson. Yet Mr. McInnes is taken from the field, where he is alleged to have been supremely useful, and thrust into provincial politics. The case of the party, which calls for a remedy, must be a desperate one, and the action of the Dominion government in placing Mr. McInnes in the field can only be understood as a distinct expression of want of confidence in Mr. Macdonald.

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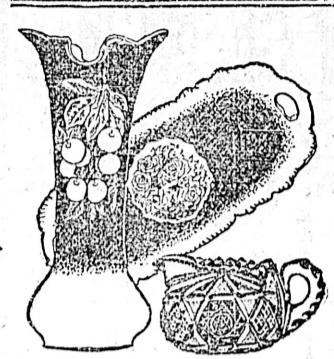
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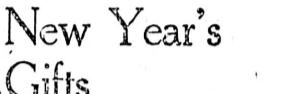
Linen, 2 1/2 yds. in diameter,

.....\$12.00 to \$18.00

The very best very fine Irish

Linen, 3 yds. in diameter,

each.....\$22.50



HEMSTITCHED TABLE-CLOTHS

Someone forgotten at Christmas?

Or, may be, you received a gift from an unexpected source and wish to return the compliment—in either case we have some choice bits of the very newest designs in china, art pottery and glass left from the rush, that will answer the purpose.

CUTLERY

You cannot do better than look over our line of Joseph Rodgers & Sons celebrated cutlery. There is no other on the market which gives such immense satisfaction; the great wear it stands makes it the cheapest in the end.

Butcher Knives, each 60c to 85c

Meat Knives, each, 65c to 85c

Sharpening Steels, each, \$1.00

Cooks' Knives, each,.....\$1.25

Carving Sets, per set.....\$1.25

.....\$1.75 to \$3.00

Carving Sets, in case, per set,.....\$5.00 and up

Dessert Knives, per doz., \$5.50

Table Knives, per doz.\$7.50

TABLE NAPKINS

Union Damask, 13 1/2 x 15 in.,

per doz.....\$1.00

Union Damask, 16 x 17 in.,

per doz.....\$1.25 and \$1.35

Pure Linen, 16 x 17 in., \$1.50 up

" 18 x 18 in., \$1.50 up

" 22 x 22 in., per doz,

.....\$3.50

Hemstitched, Pure Linen, 17 x

17 in., per doz.....\$13.50

Pure Linen, 62 to 90 in. wide, per yard.....85c to \$2.75

TABLE GLASS

Table Glass for decorating your table—everything new and artistic—in plain and engraved styles at reasonable prices.

A FREE GIFT

Every lady leaving her name and address in our office from now on to New Year will receive Free a handsome Needle Case Calendar, containing 40 assorted Sharpe's Needles.



AUTO ENTHUSIASTS PLAN A CLUB HOUSE

Are Now Choosing Site and Will
Erect Building Costing
About \$5,000

A club at one of the many beauty spots lying in the vicinity of Victoria, where the automobile and motorboat enthusiasts may gather in a social way during the summer months, is proposed by members of the local auto club. The project has been taken up seriously and with characteristic energy, and there is every indication that it will be carried through to a successful issue.

It is believed that it will be possible to find an admirable site at Albert Head. In the first place the run through Metchosin, from the standpoint of the automobile devotee, is one of the finest of the many beautiful landscapes to be enjoyed on the southern part of Vancouver Island. The roads also are always in fairly good condition. Then it is not a long trip from the local harbor to Albert Head for any of the fast motorboats which are owned by residents of the city.

Building of Modest Dimensions

The intention is not to spend a very large sum of money on the enterprise at the outset. As far as can be gathered, the present club is willing to stand an outlay of some four or five thousand dollars on the building to be constructed. What they want now, they say, is a structure having one large room and a kitchen, provided with the refreshment necessary for the refreshment of all sportsmen belonging to the organization in the course of their excursions through the different outlying sections of the country bordering upon the capital of British Columbia.

The Auto club was brought into existence only a year ago. Then its membership was eleven. Now it has been so augmented that there are forty-eight names upon the books, all of whom are in good standing, and, what is more, every one an active member, the proud possessor of an automobile and a participant in all the varied outings which are constantly being arranged by the executive of the club.

Importing New "Machines"

With the addition of the motorboat owners to this membership the number should come very close to the hundred mark. New machines are being imported continually, it being possible at the time of writing to mention ten or twelve people who have ordered motors and who are eagerly awaiting the arrival of their purchases. One of those in this situation is Lieut.-Governor Dunsuir. It is reported that he has a car valued at \$10,000 on the way from Italy.

On Christmas practically all the members of the club made a trip about the suburbs of the city. They went through Beacon Hill park, where a photographer was in attendance, to obtain a picture of the machines and their jubilant occupants. This will be used by H. Cuthbert, secretary of the Victoria Development & Tourist association, as an evidence of the extreme mildness of the temperature in the favored capital of Canada's most westerly province in midwinter.

The management of the organization also has taken action towards having some of the roadways, especially those most attractive from a scenic standpoint, improved. It is understood a deputation waited upon Premier McBride yesterday with this object in view and received an assurance from him that everything in his power would be done towards meeting their wishes.

Tally-Ho Motor Car

A change in the management of the Victoria garage took place on the 24th inst. when Roy Troup disposed of his interest to John R. Hazard, of New York, who, with J. B. Woods, will continue the business. The new member of the firm is a recent arrival in the city having reached Victoria after spending two years touring Europe and Asia.

The new firm are expecting a large rush of tourists next season and are already making preparations for a big year and have placed an order for a large Knox waterless sight-seeing tally-ho, capable of carrying 25 passengers and running at a rate of 25 miles an hour.

The order has been placed through the Broadway Automobile company of Seattle, for the merchants and motor parts, while the body will be constructed in this city. It will be the largest motor car in British Columbia and will be very elegantly fitted up.

Besides this large tally-ho, the firm has ordered two of the finest cars ever imported to the city—model 1907 Winton, which are said to be the very latest in automobiles. They will be capable of carrying six passengers along with the driver and run a mile a minute with 60 horse power motors. Mr. Troup, the retiring member of the firm, will in future reside in Seattle where he has accepted a position.

THE STAGE.

"Kerry Gow"

Joseph Murphy's play "Kerry Gow" was presented by Allen Doone and a capable company, at the Victoria theatre last evening. There was a fair attendance. As the hero, "Dan O'Hara," Mr. Doone was seen to advantage. His dialect possessed natural and pleasing brogue and his singing was exceedingly praiseworthy. On the whole the play was worthy of an entertaining man-

I. O. O. F. Meeting.—Business of importance will occupy the attention of Victoria lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F., at its regular meeting to be held this evening in the hall of the order on Douglas street. There will be conferring of degrees and a large attendance of members is asked.

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Dissolve 2 cups of sugar in one cup of water and add the sample of Mapleine.

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SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Nanaimo vs. Victoria

At the Oak Bay grounds tomorrow afternoon two football games will be played. The soccer match will be contested by the Wanderers and the Victoria West teams, while on the rugby grounds the Victoria and Nanaimo teams will be trying conclusions. In order that the game may be finished before dark play will start at 2:30 o'clock sharp. The Victoria team will line up as follows: Full back, Patterson; three-quarters, Meredith, Anderson, A. Sargison and H. Sargison; half backs, Newcombe and W. Sweeney; forwards, Barnacle, Loat, Shanks, L. Sweeney, Miller, Blackbourne, Spencer, Bunn and O'Keefe.

Matches Tomorrow

The association football match at Oak Bay will start at 2:45 sharp and no time will be allowed for players who have not put in an appearance and an effort will also be made to get the referee there on time. A second match in the league series will be played during the afternoon at Work Point where the Y. M. C. A. and Fifth Regiment will meet. The team to represent the Wanderers will be as follows: Goal, Staden; backs, Goward, Lorimer; half backs, Allison, Gowen, J. Lorimer; forwards, Peden, Felt, Schwengens, Hillard and Todd.

Island vs. Mainland

It has been practically decided that the Island-Mainland match will take place on March 23, 1907, but as yet no arrangement has been made as to where the game will take place. Correspondence is now being carried on between the two associations and it is

very likely that some amicable arrangement will be arrived at. The teams to take part will be selected from the respective associations. At present no trophy is spoken of, and for this season at least the players will play for glory alone.

Football Minister

A recent English exchange referring to the tour of the South African football players has the following to say of their captain: "Mr. Paul Roos, the captain of the Springboks, attracted a huge congregation at Belfast when, from the pulpit of a Methodist church, he preached with remarkable eloquence. His subject was 'What is Religion?' and he dilated on the topic with as much enthusiasm as he displayed when he led his men to victory in their game with Ireland on the preceding day."

LACROSSE

Leaving Victoria

Lionel Yorke who during the lacrosse season acted as coach and manager of the Victoria club will leave in a few days for Vancouver where he will reside in future. Yorke was engaged at the commencement of the season in order to coach the young players in the mysteries of the game. Very little progress was made however, owing to the lack of interest taken. What action will be taken next year it is impossible to say but it is practically certain that there will be no paid coach.

HOCKEY

Ready for Nanaimo

The members of the Victoria ladies hockey club will journey to Nanaimo tomorrow where they will meet the exponents of the game in that city in a return match. Since their recent defeat the Victoria ladies have done some hard practicing and although not over confident, they hope to win. In the practice games that they have had since the last match the players have shown greater determination to work than previously and they realize that they must play hard tomorrow if they expect to come out on top. The team to represent the local club will be practically the same as when they met the Coal City players at Oak Bay but since then many of their shortcomings have been rectified and the team will be strengthened considerably.

Wanderers Hold Cup

Montreal, Que., Dec. 27.—The wanderers of Montreal defeated the New Glasgow challengers for the Stanley cup at the arena tonight by 11 goals to 3.

STRONGLY ENDORSES

THE GOVERNMENT

W. S. Holland Cites Reasons
Why McBride Administration
Should Be Returned

"Business is good all over the province. The cities at the Coast are prospering as well as the smaller towns of the interior. That being the case, I do not think there is the slightest possibility of the McBride government being defeated at the coming elections."

W. S. Holland, general agent for several of the largest insurance companies doing business in British Columbia, made these remarks at the Driard hotel last night. He has just returned from an extended tour of the interior. "The financial position has improved; the revenue is expanding and under these circumstances what need is there for a change?" I hope there will be none. The present administration is the best we have ever had, and the people generally realize it. Even in the Slocan country, that was somewhat dull when silver went down, is reviving. I believe it will soon be as prosperous as it ever was. Two big sawmills were opened in Kaslo recently; they employ quite a number of men. This rise in timber is helping out all over, and as present conditions were brought about by the McBride government, I feel sure it will stay in power."

An indication of the surety of election of Hon. Richard M. McBride in his old constituency, Dewdney, was given by one of the oldest residents of Mission City last night at the Dominion hotel. Henry Windbank, who has been staying in the city for a few days, had this to say: "I cannot imagine the slightest chance of Robert Jardine being successful in Dewdney. Everyone who voted for the Premier at the last election will support him again this time, and a great many more besides. Even Nicomen Island, that went strongly Liberal before, will have that majority much reduced, if not wiped out. Mr. McBride knows everyone and everyone likes him. If any other party goes against him, Mission City will turn up enough Conservative votes to give him a bigger majority than before. If you will notice each election has made him more secure in his seat, and the coming one will clinch it."

Mr. Windbank, who has very large business interests on both sides of the Fraser, is well qualified to give an opinion.

He leaves this afternoon to spend a few days in Seattle, but will be home about New Year to take part in the fight.

FORMAL FAREWELL

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—Sir Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador, called on Secretaries Root and Taft today and bade them farewell. The ambassador with his family will sail on Saturday on the Umbria.

BRYAN IS WILLING

Topeka, Kas., Dec. 27.—In an interview today, William J. Bryan virtually admitted that he would be a candidate for the presidential nomination before the Democratic national convention.

"While I have not yet announced that I would be a candidate," said Mr. Bryan, "I have not stated that I would not be a candidate. Such a high honor as the presidential nomination is something that no American citizen should decline."

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CITY COUNCIL ACCEPTS

PLANS OF SUBDIVISION

And Transacts Various Other Civic Business of a Routine Nature

A matter which has been the cause of much worry for the past few weeks, and which has been responsible for not a few lengthy sessions, was settled at a meeting of the city council last night, when the final plans for the subdivision of the Fairfield Farm estate were accepted. Two sets of plans were submitted, both being similar to those which were rejected at the last meeting. The feeling was by no means unanimous in favor of their acceptance, and it was only by a narrow margin that they went through.

The rock on which the council and the surveyors nearly split was the continuation of George street. When the plans were rejected at the last meeting of the council, it was with the understanding that George street was to be continued, whereas, as shown on the plans, it was cut off short. At yesterday's meeting the surveyors, who were present, pointed out that it was impossible to continue the street, owing to the conformation of the other streets in that district. Some of the aldermen agreed, while others thought that with the sacrifice of a little land the street could be continued all right. The council had gone into committee to consider the plans, and when it arose a recommendation was passed to the effect that both plans be accepted as submitted.

Al. Fell, however, offered an amendment to the effect that the plans be not accepted until due arrangement had been made for the continuation of George street.

The majority of the aldermen had, however, apparently had all that they wanted of the subdivision plans, and on a show of hands being called, it was found that the amendment had been killed. Those who voted for the acceptance of the plans were: Ald. Goodner, Ald. Stearns, Ald. Hall, Ald. Vincent, Ald. Yates, Ald. Davey. The Mayor, Ald. Douglas, Ald. Fell, and Ald. Fullerton voted for the rejection of the plans unless the wished-for alterations were made.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

Two by-laws occupied attention. The first, the Sewer Connections by-law, was introduced by Ald. Vincent. This measure contains a list of the names of some one hundred and twenty persons, property owners and householders who have refused to obey the orders of the city engineer and to connect the premises either owned or occupied by them with the city sewerage system. It is proposed that the city avail itself of its rights as set forth in the Sewerage by-laws, and make the necessary connections, charging up all expenses to the owners.

Al. Davey objected to the introduction of the by-law on the grounds that it was too late in the year to deal properly with the measure. His objection, however, was overruled, only Ald. Douglass standing by him when it came to a show of hands, and the by-law passed its second reading. It will be finally passed at the next meeting.

The amendments to the Building by-law introduced by Ald. Fullerton at the last meeting of the council were also read for the last time, and duly signed, sealed and delivered.

A letter was received from Hon. Templeman in reference to the delay in the granting of the letters patent for the water lots on Rock Bay to the city. Mr. Templeman wrote regretting very much that the delay should have occurred, and surmising that it must have been due to a misunderstanding between the city and the federal authorities. "If the matter is not settled in a month or two, do not fail to let me know," concluded Mr. Templeman, a request which caused Ald. Yates to ejaculate, "What! a month or two?" and to look as if he were not quite sure whether he was dreaming or whether the Hon. Mr. Templeman was joking.

J. L. Raynor, the city water commissioner, wrote calling the attention of the council to the advisability of petitioning the provincial legislature at its next sitting, for certain alterations in the Water Works act. Mr. Raynor pointed out that the municipality of Oak Bay was growing rapidly and that he had received many requests from residents of that district for permission to buy the city's water. He recommended that some arrangement be made by which the water could be supplied at the rate of so much per gallon to the residents of the district. It was decided to leave the matter to the council of 1907.

A resolution from the finance committee, recommending the payment of \$34, being the cost of transferring a lacer to Darcy Island, was duly received and adopted.

Messrs. Crease & Crease wrote on behalf of a client, the owner of certain premises at 23 Fort street, lately condemned by the city engineer. It was stated that the property was about to be bought by a large contractor, who would tear down the buildings in question, and the council was asked not to force the present owner to go to the expense of demolishing the sheds. Two weeks' time was granted for the present owner to get rid of his property, and for the buildings to be done away with.

George C. Mannix, who lives on the shores of Elk lake, wrote requesting the right to cut the hay on a strip of the lake shore between the water and the road. He also requested permission to lay a water pipe from the lake to his house. Both petitions were referred to the water committee to report.

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FOR SALE—A good farm, 405 acres near Shawulgan Lake, 25 acres cleared, 150 cleared and burnt, good orchard, balance timber. Large house. Very cheap for \$7,000.00.

FOR SALE—100 acre farm, Shawulgan District near sea, 30 acres cultivated, 30 acres cleared, balance timber, good creek. Only \$4,000.00.

FOR SALE—Cowichan, 75 acres excellent land, 5 cleared, good house and barn, cheap at \$2,000.00.

FOR SALE—A limited amount of acreage close in, with sea frontage.

FOR SALE—Several desirable Islands, close to Sidney. Per acre, \$20.00.

FOR SALE—Close in, business block, pays over 5 per cent, net \$25,000.00.

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We have in our Prescription Department all of the drugs and chemicals being prescribed by the physicians for colds, la grippe and all other prevalent ailments. These drugs are fresh and of the best quality, thoroughly tested. We are prepared to fill any prescription correctly, no matter whose blank it is written on. Bring it right to us; we will take care of it for you.

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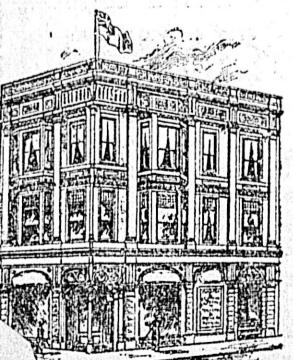
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Local News

Anherst shoes are solid leather.

School Trustees.—The regular monthly meeting of the board of school trustees will be held this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock for the transaction of general business.

A Friendly Help Need.—The officers of the Friendly Help Association have issued a call for a baby carriage, one being urgently required to aid a family in distress.

Auxiliary to Missions.—The monthly meeting of the diocesan board of the Women's Auxiliary to Missions will be held at the Cathedral schoolroom this afternoon at 2:30.

K. of P. Social.—At tonight's meeting of Fan West Lodge, K. of P., the social club will entertain the members and their friends with a magic lantern performance.

Annual Christmas Fete.—The annual entertainment of the Presbyterian Chinese mission will be held this evening in the Mission Hall, Government street, at 8 o'clock.

Mayor's Reception.—Mayor Morley on New Year's Day will hold a public reception at his residence between 3 and 6 p.m. Miss Goodall will assist the Mayor in receiving. Mrs. Morley unfortunately being ill since early in December.

Will Sing Cantata.—The annual Christmas fete of the First Congregational Church Sunday school will take place in the Sunday school room this evening. It promises to be a brilliant affair. Elaborate preparations have been made. There will be a splendid Christmas tree. Santa Claus will be in attendance, and there will be an abundance of good things for everyone. The children of the Sunday school will sing a cantata entitled "The First Christmas Eve."

The King's Daughters.—Owing to the order of service not having yet arrived, and for other pressing reasons, the memorial service to Mrs. Margaret Bottome (the foundress of the order) has been postponed from Saturday next to Sunday, January 13. Further particulars will be furnished at an early date. Meanwhile all members of circles and individual members are asked to bear this date in mind, and to make a special effort to reserve the day now fixed and to attend the service.

For the Orphans.—Fifty-three little hearts at the Protestant orphanage have anxiously waited for today, and the wonderful Christmas tree, which only blossoms once a year, will bloom between the hours of 3 and 6. The children have prepared a most interesting programme, and it will be a cause of great satisfaction and thankfulness not only to the children, but to those in charge, to see as many friends as can conveniently spare the time on this important and happy occasion, and donations for the tree will be most thankfully received.

Sunday School Fete.—The annual Sunday school Christmas entertainment at St. Barnabas will be held on Friday, Holy Innocents' Day, in the schoolroom. Tea will be served to the children at 5 p.m. There will be a dramatic entertainment consisting of a pageant troupe and the events of Christmas Eve by members of the Sunday school. Prizes will be distributed to those who were successful at the annual examination, and the silver medal presented to the choir boy who has gained the most marks during the year. Parents and friends are invited to attend.

The Braunstein Case.—Yesterday in the police court, the charge of obtaining goods valued at \$34 from N. Landsberg by false pretences, on which N. Braunstein, who recently carried on business as an auctioneer, was arrested, was further remanded until this morning. When the case was called, Gordon Grant, for the accused, asked that it be dismissed, as there was no evidence against his client. The witnesses for the prosecution had not appeared, it being understood that they wished to drop the prosecution since the money alleged to have been obtained by Braunstein had been refunded. Chief Langley asked that the case be remanded until today, and subpoenas will be issued for the witnesses in the case. Application was made by Mr. Grant for bail on behalf of Braunstein, and bail was fixed at \$300, in two sureties of \$150 each.

Two championship games—for one admission, 25c. Rugby—Nanaimo Hornets vs. Victoria Association—Wanderers vs. Victoria West. Saturday, Oak Bay Park, 2:30 p.m. These will be two exciting games.

Prizes, Prizes, special discount for prizes at Victoria Book and Stationery Co., Limited.

For Your New Year's Pudding.—Steam it in one of our steamers. Tin steamers to fit 10-inch and 12-inch pots, 40c and 15c. Steamers with cans to fit, 60c to \$1.00. R. A. Brown & Co., 81 Douglas St. A dozen steps from Yates.

The B. C. Hardware Co., who purchased the business formerly carried on by Nleholas & Renouf are rushing the reconstruction and overhauling of their building with all possible speed, and they soon expect to be able to occupy their fine new store, which, when completed will be second to none in the city. While the new firm are making most extensive changes in their building and plant, they are making little or no changes in their staff. Mr. James Bell and his fellow helpers will be found in the store as usual to attend to the wants of their patrons.

Great Clearance Sale on today. All goods reduced. Now's the time to buy your staples for spring. Robinson's Cash store.

Bird Cages and Cutlery at Cheapside.

Bar and Household Tumblers always in stock at Cheapside.

The Drawing for doll and big engine takes place at the Bee Hive, 81 Douglas street, on Friday night at 8 o'clock.

Dress Goods sale today.—tweeds, serges, lustres, cashmeres, tartans, reg. 35c and \$1.00. Sale price 20c, 40c and 75c. Worth seeing. Robinson's.

Heaters and Steel Ranges, call and inspect Clarke & Pearson's large and superb stock—it will pay you.

Elegant Hall Stoves and Stove Boards at Cheapside.

Use telephone to Ladysmith.

REAL ESTATE SALES REPORTED YESTERDAY

Though Market Reflects Holiday Still Considerable Property Changes Hands

Though there is somewhat of a lull in the real estate market owing to the holidays a number of properties continue to change hands. There are so sales of much importance to report since Christmas, although the aggregate sum involved reaches a respectable amount.

Among the sales made by Pemberton & Son have been 3.36 acres at Ship Bay, \$2,750; 4 acres at Mount Tolmie, \$1,400; 4 lots on Oak Bay Avenue, \$1,400; 3 acres on Foul Bay road at \$1,200; a 10-acre lot at Oak Bay, \$800; 2 lots in Pearse's estate, \$700; lot on North Pandora street, \$350 and a lot on Tenbyton road, \$225.

McCartie & Drysdale sold, within the past few days, 3 acreage areas in Saanich district for fruit farms and several lots in James Bay district. Yesterday the Dominion Real Estate exchange sold 2 lots on Camosun street.

The first extensive building operation for the new year will be the extension and addition to the building recently purchased by the Sylvester Feed Co., on Yates street. Hooper & Watkins have the plans already ready and it is expected that tenders will be called in less than a week. The present building will be lengthened 17 feet making 117 feet in all and the whole made a four-storey structure. This means another two storeys to the present portion.

Work is progressing satisfactorily on the new Pitler & Lelser block. Carter & Son have a good force of men busy on the remodeling and additions to the L shaped block on Broad street acquired a short time ago by David Speer, Limited. It is expected the new building will be ready for roofing in a couple of weeks. The same firm is also proceeding with the extensive addition to the King Edward Hotel and the remodeling of the store to be occupied by the R. C. Hardware Co., at the corner of Yates and Broad streets.

Several extensive Island timber deals are on the tap. They embrace properties not only on both the east and west coast but also the most available in the necessity of Victoria. All the local real estate agents report more inquiries than there are properties on the market, particularly for residential and fruit growing lands.

ADVOCAETS DISTRICT EXHIBIT.

Local Merchant Has New Plan to Attract People From Northwest.

The best way to bring the attractions of Victoria before the residents of the Northwestern provinces is to have a district exhibit of fresh fruits, flowers and vegetables at every fair in the Northwest, with a good man in charge, was the opinion expressed by a Victorian whose business makes it necessary for him to travel considerably through the Northwest and to visit practically every fair of any importance in that section of the Dominion. "Why," he said, "look how much good the British Columbia exhibit did at Winnipeg a year ago. There is no reason why a Victoria exhibit could not be sent to all the big fairs. My idea is to have an exhibit of the class of produce for which Victoria is now becoming famous, at Winnipeg, Calgary, Regina, Edmonton and Moose Jaw. Arrangements could be made with the Dominion Express company to send fresh goods through every day.

If these arrangements could be made the exhibits could be kept fresh from the time they were placed in position till it was time to remove them, then they could be sold. I think it is an idea that should be taken up at once. I know very well that many will say it is too early to make a start in this direction; but that is what is keeping Victoria back—the people are slow to wake up and realize their opportunities. Nelson is already considering the advisability of doing exactly as I have suggested, and surely if that city can do it, Victoria, the capital city of the province, should not be behind in getting to work.

What would the exhibit consist of? Why, when the Winnipeg fair opens, the cherries are just ripe in Victoria; and there is no better fruit going than Victoria cherries. Then all other kinds could be sent, with potted and cut flowers and the new vegetables just appearing on the market would also add to the exhibit. Cut flowers could be sent through in refrigerator cars, and would arrive in good condition, if they were properly attended to.

"As far as I can see there is no reason why Victoria should not receive a large increase in population through this venture, as, when the people of the Northwest see what we grow, they will be only too anxious to get out here. In my opinion Victoria has seen only a very small proportion of the home-seekers from the prairie metropolis. The big rush will take place between the two summer seasons—when the summer hay has been cut and the fall wheat is ripe.

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Toronto, Dec. 27.—A deal was consummated in New York on Saturday evening whereby the National Life Assurance company of Canada takes over Jan. 1, the Canadian business of the Provident Savings Life of New York. The National will thus begin the year with over eleven millions of in-

SEALERS TO ARRANGE FOR SEASON'S WORK

Annual Meeting of the Company
to be Held This Afternoon
to Formulate Plans

SUGGESTS BRANDING OF SEALS

Strange Idea of Special Agent Sims
For Marking Fur-Bearers on
Pribilof Rookeries

Today arrangements for the sealing season will be made by the shareholders of the Victoria Sealing company, which controls the bulk of the fleet of Victoria, the depot on this side of the Pacific and the principal outfitting point in the world. The annual meeting will be held this afternoon at the rooms of the Board of Trade and officers will be elected and arrangements made for the coming season. As many vessels as crews can be found to man them will be sent to sea. The "Slush" fleet will not be numerous, as far as can be learned; in fact the number of vessels to carry Indian crews will depend upon the supply of Indian hunters. During the past few years the sealers have had difficulty in securing complements of Indian hunters and each year the difficulty has increased. Five or six vessels will probably be sent out with full complements of white hunters, outfitted for a term of nine months or more, to follow the herds from the southern California coast north to Alaska; and when the coast season ends in May these vessels will proceed to Copper Islands to hunt on the grounds off the Russian rookeries until the Bering Sea season opens in August next.

The "independent" schooners this season have been increased by the addition of the schooners Ella G. and Thomas F. Bayard. The Ella G. first to put to sea, left early December to proceed south to hunt on the California coast with Capt. J. C. Voss in command. The Bayard is being overhauled and made ready for sea and Capt. Hans Blakstad will take her out. It has not yet been decided whether a full crew of white hunters will be taken or whether Indians will be secured. Other "independent" vessels are the Umbrina, which Capt. Haan, formerly of the Jessie, will command this season, Jessie and Eva Marie. Another feature of today's meeting will be the arrangement to pay a dividend. As a result of the season's work a dividend of one dollar per share or 8 1/2 per cent is to be paid on Jan. 2. A Washington despatch to the Chicago-Record, sent to the coast by the Associated Press says that Edwin W. Sims, special agent sent to the Pribilof rookeries last summer by the United States has advocated the branding of the seals of Bering Sea. This was done in a most inhuman manner by an electrical brander invented by Dr. Starr Jordan and Prof. Farmer some years ago and the pets taken by sealers with brands showed what agony the animals must have suffered when the wounds did not in contact with salt water. This was stopped some years ago. The despatch adds:

"President Roosevelt and his cabinet are considering the suggestions made by District Attorney Sims of Illinois to protect the seal rookeries of the North Pacific. Sims reported to Secretary Metcalf on his return from a trip of investigation to the Pribilof seal islands that the decrease in the herd was due solely to pelagic sealing.

"While it is true the size of the herd has been steadily decreasing for a number of years," Sims said, "I believe its existence is more seriously threatened at this time than ever before. In its history, the herd is in the most critical condition. The high price paid for seal skins in the London market last year has not only led to renewed activity on the part of Canadian sealing fleets, but is unquestionably responsible for the appearance in Bering sea this year of the largest fleet of Japanese vessels which has ever directed its operations against the Pribilof herd. Fleets of the size of the Japanese cannot prey long on the already diminishing herd without annihilating it."

"In view of this warning Secretary Root has determined to push negotiations with Great Britain, Russia and Japan, the three powers having possessions in the North Pacific, for the purpose of obtaining a treaty forbidding pelagic sealing. Sims has suggested that it would be practicable to brand or tag all of the seals born on the islands in the same way that the great herds of cattle which roam the western prairies are branded, and that action of this kind on the part of the United States would reduce the seals to its possession and justify it in protecting them on the high seas."

NEW TUGS ARRIVE.

Queen City and Eagle Are to Be Registered Here.

Yesterday morning the tugs Queen City and Eagle purchased by Seattle by J. H. Green, behalf of the Queen City Trading & Transportation Co., of which he is appointed manager, arrived in port and will be placed in commission as soon as duty has been paid and the vessels registered, as additions to the shipping of the port of Seattle. The Queen City, hereafter to be known as the Queen, will enter commission in a few days; but it will be some time before the Eagle is ready, as a new boiler is to be built. The vessels will be used in connection with the tug Alpha in the lumber business. The two vessels are lying at Turner, Becton's wharf in the inner harbor.

THE COAST PATROL.

No Orders Yet Received to Despatch Steamer Quadra

The local department of marine has not yet received any instructions to despatch the steamer Quadra from the west coast of Vancouver Island, as stated in a recent Ottawa despatch. The Quadra is now at the Sand Heads making repairs from there to Lund to erect a 30-day light to the established there. It is probable the steamer will return to port for the New Year holiday and will afterward proceed to Lund.

Another Ottawa despatch to the Times yesterday says: "It will well be included in the supplementary estimates for 1907 of the type of the Canada, stationed on the Atlantic coast, which will be strong and powerful enough for life-saving duty on the west coast of Vancouver Island."

The Canadian government has engaged at Victoria to use the Quadra im-

mediately as a patrol steamer on the west coast of Vancouver Island during the stormy season, and has authorized him to utilize the Kestrel for the same purpose if deemed advisable. The Kestrel will take the place of the Quadra in necessary

lighthouse work while the Quadra is thus engaged.

In connection with the return of Capt. Newcomer to the steamer Quadra, a strange situation has arisen. A successor has been appointed to Capt. Wahban at the port office of the marine department in the person of Capt. Jones. Now Capt. Newcomer has returned to his command, and Capt. Wahban is to return to the Victoria office, to which Capt. Jones had been appointed.

The HATHOR IN PORT

Big German Liner Here to Load Lumber for Mexico

The German steamer Hathor, one of the big vessels of the Keosauqua Line plying between Hamburg and Puget Sound via South America, reached the outer dock yesterday morning and commenced loading 400,000 feet of lumber to be shipped to Sinaloa. It is expected the steamer will sail tomorrow. The Hathor when in the Atlantic on her way to port, saved the crew of the British steamer Beacon Grange, which was on fire. The fire was brought under control with assistance from the Hathor, which towed Grange liner into Montevideo.

THE PRINCESS VICTORIA.

Repairs to C. P. R. Liner Are Almost Completed

Repairs to the steamer Princess Victoria, which was damaged as a result of an iron deck crack in October, are nearing completion at Esquimalt. The work is progressing favorably and it is expected the steamer will be ready to leave the esquimalt Marina ways about a fortnight hence. It is expected the Princess Victoria will return the Charmer on the Victoria-Vancouver route as soon as her overhaul is completed.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Amur was scheduled to leave Skagway yesterday for Victoria.

DAILY REVIEW OF THE LOCAL MARKETS

Though the Christmas trade was a record one, local merchants anticipate that the rush will continue until after the New Year. The late arrival of the turkeys caused a big trade to be done at the butchers' shops on Christmas eve, but local wholesalers state there will not be a surplus of the birds to carry over, and prices therefore will be maintained. The only new shipment to arrive was one of pineapples. As they are of splendid quality, they are being rapidly taken up. Difficulty to obtain consignments has made somewhat of a famine in table raisins and other dried fruits, but the full holiday shipments are now arriving and the stringency will shortly be removed.

Appended are yesterday's quotations:

RETAIL MARKETS.

Meat and Poultry

Hams, per lb. 25 to 27
Bacon, per lb. 23 to 25
Beef, per lb. \$1.18
Pork, dressed, per lb. 12½ to 13
Mutton, per lb. 8 to 18
Lamb, per quarter, per lb. \$1.25 to 1.27
Turkey, dressed, per lb. 35 to 39
Turkeys, local, per lb. 30 to 35
Ducks, dressed, per lb. 25
Chickens, per lb. 12 to 15
Chickens, broiler, live weight, per lb. 15
Pigeons, broiler, per lb. 12
Pigeons, dressed, per pair. 15
Rabbits, dressed, each. 60c to \$1.00
Hare, dressed, each. 15

Fish

Oolachan, salted, per kit. \$2.25

Cod, salted, per lb. 8 to 10

Halibut, smoked, per lb. 15

Flounders, fresh, per lb. 8

Salmon, salt, per lb. 10

Salmon, fresh, per lb. 12½

Salmon, smoked, per lb. 8

Clams, per lb. 50

Oysters, Olympia, per pint. 12½

Oysters, Toke Point, doz. 12½

Shrimps, per lb. 30

Sole, kippered. 12½

Sole, salted, per lb. 10

Herring, fresh, per lb. 12½

Flounder, salted, per lb. 20

Fish, dried, per lb. 10

Salmon, dried, per lb. 12½

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160 acres Highland district, house and outbuildings, about 5 acres cleared, 50 fruit trees, \$500.

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\$7,500—Large cottage with 8 lots beautiful garden, orchard and tennis lawn. On end line.

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\$25,000—Michigan street, 2 story house of 8 rooms; sewer connection. Lot 60x120.

\$20,000—Government, back entrance on Douglas, 7 room house, sewer connection (cost \$5,000).

\$20,000—North Park, 8 room house, two large lots, 50 x 140 each. Bargain.

\$31,50—James Bay, modern 2 story house 60x120 foot corner lot, 7 minutes from post office. (Snap).

\$5,000—North Pandera, good building sites; only two lots left of the subdivision.

\$1,000—James Bay, 5 room cottage in good order. Lot 55 x 112. (Snap).

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LAKE DISTRICT—24 acres of good land, \$600 per acre.

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, B.C., at 8 p.m., Dec. 27.
SYNOPSIS.

The barometer is falling over Northern British Columbia and unseasoned Indian weather is to become general west of the Cascades. Sharp frosts have occurred on Vancouver Island and the lower mainland, and snow is falling in Cariboo, The weather is mild from the Rockies to Manitoba.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	28	41
Vancouver	24	38
New Westminster	24	36
Kamloops	10	22
Barkerville	14	28
Toro Simpson	14	28
Ad. Roberts	16	20
Cariboo	10	40
Whistler	8	16
Port Hardy	36	46
San Francisco	59	68

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time)
Friday:

Victoria and vicinity: Winds mostly northwesterly or easterly, cloudy and milder with rain tonight or Saturday.

Lower Mainland: Winds mostly northerly or easterly, cloudy and milder with rain.

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